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City of Austin

Recommendation for Action

File #: 21-2861, Agenda Item #: 21.

9/30/2021

Posting Language

Approve an ordinance amending the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Austin Fire Department Operating Budget Special Revenue Fund (Ordinance No. 20200812-001) to accept and appropriate \$101,850 in grant funds from the Federal Emergency Management Agency for the Assistance to Firefighters Grant.

Lead Department

Austin Fire Department.

Fiscal Note

Funding in the amount of \$101,850 is available from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) under the Assistance to Firefighters Grant. A City funding match of \$9,259 is required and available in the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Austin Fire Department's Operating Budget. A fiscal note is attached.

For More Information:

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Additional Backup Information:

This action authorizes the acceptance of a supplemental funding grant in the amount of \$101,850 from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, FEMA, U.S. Fire Administration program, Assistance to Firefighters Grant program for the grant period of August 2, 2021 to August 1, 2023. The funding will reimburse Peer Fitness Certification expenses and Continuing Education courses for Peer Fitness and Peer Support Teams.

The General Fund will not be required to contribute additional funds beyond those currently budgeted to this grant. When the grant funds expire, the Austin Fire Department's need for continuing funding will be evaluated and may be denied.

Strategic Outcome(s):

Safety.